TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Lee News & Upcoming Events

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY, MAY 8TH



Photo by Tina Sawtelle

EXPLORE POWDER MAJOR'S 225 ACRE FARM AND FOREST

Walks start from Tibbetts Fields, 25 Lee Road (Route 155) in Madbury Saturday, May 7th 8:30am – 12pm – No dogs allowed

Come join a guided walk led by the Forest Society's education director, Dave Anderson. The 2-mile loop hike will visit several of the property's most the historic cemetery where Revolutionary War hero special places: "Powder Major" John DeMeritt and his family are buried; "Council Rock"the meeting place and planting grounds of Abenaki Chief Moharimet; the Dube Brook beaver pond to learn about local wildlife; and "Bent Nail Bridge" at the former site of the historic Dishwater Mill on the Oyster River. Special emphasis will be on forests, rivers, habitats and safe drinking water. The property, lying in Lee, Madbury and Durham, is planned for conservation as a protected community resource, most of which will be open to the public for outdoor recreation. For more information regarding the conservation project, visit https://www.forestsociety.org/project/conserve-powdermajors-farm-and-forest-seacoast-region





ON SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH JENNIFER ROY PRESENTED A COLONIAL CLOTHING PROGRAM AT THE PSC



ARSON AWARENESS WEEK

May $1^{st} - 7^{th}$

PREVENT WILDFIRE ARSON – SPREAD THE FACTS NOT THE FIRE Go to www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/wildfire arson/

MAY SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, May 9th and 23rd at 6:00 pm
Go to www.leenh.org for more Town meeting dates
Go to http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH_LibraryCal/?formid=158
for the Library Calendar
GET YOUR COPY of the ANNUAL TOWN REPORT
AT TOWN HALL, LIBRARY or TRANSFER STATION

It is also available at www.leenh.org under News & Events

LEE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

The PD has been experiencing issues responding to calls with houses not being properly numbered. This is a serious issue for First Responders and victims who need our help and cannot locate a residence. In 2012 the Board of Selectmen adopted the "Enhanced 911 Emergency Response Ordinance" which reads in part: "Any building or structure for which a number has been assigned, shall have the number affixed to a post, or equivalent, a minimum (3') high next to the driveway leading to the house so that the number is visible from both directions. The alphabet shall not be used to represent the number in word form; all numbers shall be represented using block figures." The penalty after being issued a warning letter is \$10.00 per day for each day of non-compliance. Please comply with this ordinance. Warning letters and fines will be issued if needed in an attempt to ensure compliance. The Fire Association can provide the proper signage for \$25.00 or materials can be found at your local hardware store.



ANNUAL FISHING DERBY at STEVENS' FARM Saturday May 14th Rain or Shine Registration 8am, Hooks in the water at 9am sharp Call Denise at Town Hall to register 603-659-5414!



FISH FRY TO FOLLOW

FAMILY NATURE WALK AT LITTLE RIVER PARK Saturday, May 14th 9:30am

Early May is a lovely time to explore the trails at Little River Park. Early wildflowers, known as the spring ephemerals, are blooming; some tree species are flowering, while others are leafing out; and everywhere the air is filled with birdsong. It's the perfect time for a walk. We'll visit the upland forest trail that skirts the edge of the old gravel pit, the floodplain forest trail, the sandy patch habitat and the Little River riffle area. Along the way we'll note what's in bloom, and what birds have returned from their winter grounds. Sponsored by the Conservation Commission. Meet at the LRP parking lot at 9:30. All ages welcome!



BLOOD DRIVE Friday, May 20th 1 – 6:00 pm Lee Church 17 Mast Road

You can donate blood or double red cells. Go to www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment or to check if you are eligible to donate. Pizza, donated by Pizza Spinners, will be served. For more information, call the church at 659-2861 or visit www.leechurch.org



HEALTHY SOIL, HEALTHY LEE: BUILDING SOIL HEALTH

7:00 – 8:30 pm with 'soil' related desserts
Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH

May 23, 2016 – Healthy Soil, Healthy Lee – Steve Haendler, Drumlin Farm; John Hutton, Coppal House Farm

Sponsored by the Backyard Farming Intiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library. CLICK HERE for more details



Memorial Day Parade May 30th

OPENINGS ARE STILL AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:

RECREATION, AGRICULTURAL and CONSERVATION COMMISSIONS
ADVISORY BUDGET, ENERGY, LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY, SENIOR ADVISORY,
and SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES
PLANNING and ZONING BOARDS

CLICK HERE for Application

Hand deliver to Town Hall or email application to the

Town Secretary at dduval@leenh.org



COME WALK WITH THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING IN LEE!

Residents are invited to join members of the Conservation Commission any Wednesday morning from now until early fall while they conduct site walks on the Town's conserved properties. Some of these lands are owned by the Town, but most of them are privately owned and protected in perpetuity with a conservation easement. If you'd like to participate, call the Town Secretary, Denise Duval, at 659-5414. We meet in the Town Hall parking lot at 8:45 am, dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks & mosquitoes are advised. Walks take 1½-2 hrs.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF LEE!!



PURCHASE AT THE LEE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR \$20 CASH OR CHECK

250TH PROGRAMS & EVENTS

CHECK OUT THE PASSPORT TO LEE PROGRAM CLICK HERE

Passports are available at the Library and Town Hall. There is still plenty of time to start collecting stamps and stickers. Now that the snow is gone, stamp boxes are available at the 8 Lee Heritage sites and Town Trail. Look for a plastic box containing information and a number stamp, with ink pad. Stamp your Passport, but please leave the box in place. Each box has an introduction to the Site. You can find a complete history at the Town of Lee website, Heritage Commission section. Our Town Farms are starting their new season. Visiting one will earn a Passport stamp. Please be sure to call before visiting or watch the E-Crier for announcements of their Public Events.



A PARADE IS COMING AND WE NEED YOU

As part of our Semiquincentennial Weekend extravaganza, July 16-17, we are planning a huge town parade. We are hoping that every business, organization, team, troop, neighborhood and family pet shows up to march or ride on a float! Information and applications are available on our website.

REMEMBER THE SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL EVEN AFTER IT'S OVER!

Be sure to check out the Semiquincentennial Souvenirs. Once the year is over, they'll be gone. Commemorative coins in Gold, Silver and Bronze appearance are available. All souvenirs available at the Library.

As you can see, there is a lot happening in Town this year. We hope everyone gets involved. For more information on these and other programs, please go to our website: www.lee250.com



Apply now to the Sustainability Advisory Committee

The Lee Sustainability Advisory Committee will hold its first meeting on Thursday, May 12th at 1:00 pm on the 1st floor meeting room of the Safety Complex. Members of the public are invited to attend and to contribute to helping shape a 'vision' for a sustainable and resilient Lee. For additional information, please contact Paul Gasowski at 659-5273. CLICK HERE for an Application.



PUBLIC DOCK AT DURGIN PERSERVE NOW OPEN

Durgin Preserve, located on Rita Lane, is accessed from Clement Way off of Calef Highway. Please be advised that swimming is at your own risk and boating access is limited to carry in canoes, kayaks or rowboats only.

LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATE



LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM NOW OPEN EVERY 3RD SATURDAY 10 AM – 2 PM APRIL THRU NOVEMBER

Our exhibits include artifacts from our earliest residents, kitchen gadgets through the ages, ice harvesting on our ponds and rivers, the Mast Tree Trade and the railroad which once ran through town where Route 125 is now. Kids will especially enjoy our upstairs exhibits including a replica one-room school, Great-Grandma's toy shelves, clothing to look at and some to try on and tools that helped create and care for them. This year we welcome Grace, our junior docent, who will be joining us in the upstairs children's exhibits. Admission is free. Please visit and explore our town exhibits, in the Town Center, next to the Library. This year we welcome Grace, our junior docent, who will be joining us in the upstairs children's exhibits.



CLICK HERE for BURN PERMIT CHECKLIST

CLICK HERE for ONLINE FIRE PERMIT PRESS RELEASE

GO TO <u>www.nhfirepermit.com</u> to obtain a fire permit online. <u>CLICK</u>

<u>HERE</u> for <u>CodeRED</u> Brochure



VOLUNTEERS DRIVERS NEEDED from LEE!

READY RIDES offer free rides to medical appointments for residents 55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or email info@readyrides.org for more details about how to help your neighbor.

Please share your Historic Photos of Lee



We are interested in photos that document Lee's social, architectural and cultural heritage. In other words, old photos of people, places, events, activities, businesses, etc. If you have such photos, if you know someone who does, or if you would like to volunteer your time to help. Email us at:

heritage@leenh.org or contact the Lee Public Library



Regional & State News & Events

Are you concerned about your child's use of alcohol or other drugs?

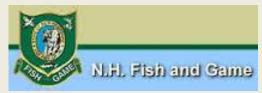
Parents' Support Group
Thursdays 7 - 8:30pm
Wentworth Douglass Hospital, Central Avenue, Dover
Walk-ins welcome
CLICK HERE for flyer





LEARN THE SKILLS YOU NEED AT THE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CLASS

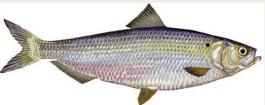
Friday, May 6th at 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Saturday, May 7th & Sunday, May 8th at 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Dept of Environmental Services, 222 Intern'l Dr. Ste 175, Portsmouth
CLICK HERE for more information





HERRING AID

Help river herring get from the sea back into the Lamprey River



Saturday, May 7th 10am – 12pm Macallen Dam, Newmarket

CLICK HERE for more information



SEPTIC SYSTEM BASICS

Saturday, May 14th, 10am – 12pm

Durham Public Library, 49 Madbury Road, Durham

A Free Class Sponsored by Strafford Regional Planning, NH Department
of Environmental Services & Lamprey River Advisory Committee

SOLAR 101 WORKSHOP TUESDAY. MAY 24TH

First Tour Durham's new solar array, 5 – 6pm, 391 Packers Falls Road Then Workshop 6:30 – 8:30pm, ORHS Multipurpose Room, Coe Drive

Attendees will learn about solar PV systems and residential installations, including: panel placement, permitting & interconnection, financing & incentives and installer selection. There will be presentations by Andy Duncan, Energy Training Manager, and Lakes Region Community College. This event is <u>free</u> and open to the public. RSVPs are encouraged so that parking can be planned. RSVP via email to <u>dec@ci.durham.nh.us</u>. Be sure to indicate whether you will be attending the workshop, the tour, or both. The workshop being sponsored by the Durham & Lee Energy Committees, the Stratham Energy Commission, the Seacoast Regional Energy Hub and other local area energy groups.

PLEASE REGISTER to attend HERE. More information can be found HERE.



2015-2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

CLICK HERE for **Revised** Notice of Public Comment Period & Public Hearing

CLICK HERE for Draft Master Outline for Public Comment
CLICK HERE for Revised Draft MTP for Public Comment
CLICK HERE for Appendix A, B & C



Strafford County Backyard Grower Programs

CLICK HERE for a list of upcoming programs All programs are open to the public and FREE

Massabesic Audubon Center Spring 2016 Garden Workshop Series with Ron Christie

May 7, 2016 Massabesic Audubon Center 26 Audubon Way, Auburn, NH

Improve the function of your garden while increasing yields, lowering costs and reducing your workload. We will talk about garden location & layout, seeds, plants, equipment & supplies, harvest, storage, and so much more. Instructor Ron Christie is passionate about teaching people how to grow their own nutritious organic food for better health and well-being. He is an avid four-season grower and loves sharing his experiences as a gardener and farmer. Ron is the Rockingham County Master Gardener Program Coordinator for UNH Cooperative Extension. He also runs Living Earth Farm, a certified organic vegetable and fruit farm in Brookline, NH. Click here for a flyer.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH OPEN 12-5 (Staff Attending Training)

REGULAR HOURS

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:00 - 8:00 pm Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Following are some of the books the library has recently added to Overdrive Advantage on the NH Downloadable site:

Miller's Valley – Anna Quindlen
Fool Me Once – Harlan Coben
The Nest – Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
The Widow – Hannah Barton
My Name is Lucy Barton – Elizabeth Strout
Orphan Train – Christina Baker Kline
A Man Called Ove – Fredrik Backman
The Guest Room – Chris Bojahlian
As Time Goes By – Mary Higgins Clark

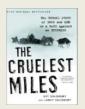
These books, as well as many more, are available for Lee Library patrons only. Look for the Overdrive Advantage symbol next to the book title after you have signed into Overdrive.





LIBRARY LEGO® April 22ND – May 27TH

Back by popular demand, we are offering another session of Library Legos. Kids in grades 1-4 can have fun building cool stuff. The program is running for 6 consecutive Fridays from 3:30-4:30 pm. Registration is not required. Mast Way students can ride **Bus 6** directly to the library.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION
Monday, May 9TH 7:00 pm
"The Cruelest Miles" by Gay Salisbury

Many readers are familiar with the story of the dog Balto and the Nome, AK, diphtheria outbreak of 1925 and how 20 men and more than 200 dogs raced 674 miles against time and weather to save a community....The Salisburys provide a complete account of that feat-the first book in 40 years to do so-and, perhaps, introduce readers to two of the most crucial and courageous characters in this drama, Leonhard Seppala and his peerless lead dog, Togo. -Dori DeSpain, Fairfax County Public Library, VA

Copies of the book are available at the library. All are welcome to participate.

Armchair Traveler - China Wednesday, May 11TH 7:00 pm

Join Jan Allen at the library as she tells us about her trip to China last fall.



HOW SWEET IT IS – THE FASCINATING LIFE OF THE HONEY BEE AND ALL HER SWEET REWARDS Tuesday, May 24TH 7:00 pm Lee Safety Complex

Wendy Booth, owner of My Bee Buddy - Hive-side Lessons and Inspections, will give a digital presentation on the fascinating life of the Honey Bee and the sweet rewards of keeping bees. If you are thinking of becoming a beekeeper, love to garden or are just curious about nature, come and see what all the "Buzz" is about. We will discuss products from the hive, taste honey and have a few laughs along the way.



GARDENING WITH GRANDPARENTS Saturday, May 21st 10:30 am

Grandparents are invited to bring their grandkids to the library for some gardening fun. Listen to a story. Then, help to fill our window boxes with flowers and plant some flowers and seeds to take home. **Please register by May 19.**

ON - GOING PROGRAMS



NO FOOLIN, JUST FUN ADULT GAME DAY Tuesdays at 9:30 am

Come join the fun, make new friends and learn some new games. All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



KNITTING FOR 50+ 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAYS May 4th & 18th 9:00 am

A drop-in group will meet at the library. Help is available from instructor, Donna Kay. All levels welcome. Offered by the Senior Advisory Committee and the Lee Library.



KNITTING GET TOGETHER Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends. Sorry, no instructors.



Thursdays & Fridays 10:30 am

These fun 30-40 minute programs for children **ages 2-6** include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required. May's themes are frogs, bath time, balloons and gardens. **May 26**th **and 27**th **will be the last programs for this school year.**



BOOK CLUB 1ST Thursday of month 3-4 pm 5 & 6 Graders

Participants will read and discuss a different book each month. And - pizza will be served! Students may arrange to take **bus 22** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626. **May 5**th **is the last meeting for this school year.**



STORY TREKKERS
Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm Ages 6-10

Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft will also be included. Mast Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626. May's topics are Russia, horses, turtles and let's laugh. **The last program for this school year is May 24.**



250th COMMEMORATIVE MEMORABILIA ON SALE AT THE LIBRARY

WOODEN NICKELS, LICENSE PLATES, COFFEE MUGS, TOTES, HATS, LONG & SHORT SLEEVED T-SHIRTS, ZIP-UP HOODED SWEATSHIRTS & WINE GLASSES



FRIENDS OF THE LEE LIBRARY

The Friends of Lee Library is a non-profit organization that supports Lee Library activities through memberships and fundraising. Activities include museum passes, children's vacation and summer programs and adult educational programs. Not a member yet? It's easy — CLICK HERE!



LAMPREY HEALTH CARE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Lamprey Health Care's Senior Transportation program provides rides to essential services for individuals over the age of 60 and/or with disabilities. Our handicap-accessible buses take seniors and adults with disabilities to the grocery store, pharmacy, doctor or bank! Call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm or go to lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-services/transportation program



JOIN THE LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPT.

Please stop by the Safety Complex Monday - Friday 8am-4pm.



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Town of Lee Police, Fire & Emergency Management utilizes the emergency notification system CODE RED. Visit leenh.org to sign up!



MEETING CALENDAR

To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org **CLICK HERE**



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off box is available at the Public Safety Complex for unused and unwanted prescriptions.



WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd

The food pantry is open to **any family** in the Town of Lee. The pantry is open the first and third Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00 pm. If there is an emergency please call the Church office at 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

To receive the E-CRIER via email EVERY WEEK go to www.leenh.org, click on Subscribe to E-Alerts and follow the directions to subscribe. It's that easy!

ATTENTION!

If you know someone who wants to see the e-crier but does not have the internet please direct them to Town Hall for a printed copy or to the Library to view it there. If they cannot leave their home please call Denise Duval, Town Secretary, at 659-5414 to have it mailed!